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Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendation made to the General Assembly by the Fifth Committee under agenda item 139 appears in the report of the Committee contained in document A/63/646.

2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 34th and 39th meetings, on 17 and 27 March 2009. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/63/SR.34 and 39).

3. For its further consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (UNMEE) (A/63/728) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/63/761).

II. Consideration of draft decision A/C.5/63/L.31

4. At its 39th meeting, on 27 March, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea" (A/C.5/63/L.31), submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Mexico.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/63/L.31 without a vote (see para. 6 below).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea

The General Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

(a) Endorses the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

(b) Approves the donation of assets of the Mission with an inventory value of 1,398,500 United States dollars and a corresponding residual value of 421,800 dollars to the Government of Ethiopia;

(c) Also approves the donation of assets of the Mission with an inventory value of 6,911,400 dollars and corresponding residual value of 1,967,900 dollars to the African Union in support of the African Union Mission in Somalia;

(d) Decides to keep under review during its sixty-third session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea".

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[1] A/63/728.

[2] A/63/761.